

CAPSULE SUMMARY

BA-2236

Bryn Awel

12500 Jarrettsville Pike

Timonium, Baltimore County

1926

Private

Bryn Awel, designed by architect Lawrence Hall Fowler and constructed in 1926, dates to an early to mid-20th century period of suburbanization in Baltimore County as wealthy residents in and around the City of Baltimore erected picturesque estates in the areas of the county that were nearest the city. Bryn Awel, whose Welsh name translates into "breezy hill," was built for Tilghman G. and Dorothy Pitts. The dwelling is representative of high-style Tudor Revival buildings. This architectural style was popular in the late 19th and early 20th centuries and drew as its design source primarily secular buildings from 16th and 17th century England. Tudor Revival style buildings usually feature asymmetrical massing, intersecting gables, and grouped casement windows. The style, initially affordable only to very wealthy patrons, was eventually adapted in design for smaller dwellings inhabited by the middle classes.

Bryn Awel is a two-and-a-half-story dwelling of solid random ashlar stone construction with a side gable roof clad in slate tiles. Two-and-a-half-story stone ells extend from the outer two bays with gable roofs that intersect with the roof of the main block. This design results in front-facing gables on the outer bays of the five-bay-wide façade, or south elevation. The dwelling features two exterior chimneys, one central interior chimney, and one interior end chimney, all of which feature random ashlar stone construction with dressed course ashlar stone flues. The central Tudor-arched entry is recessed with a wide sash-and-paneled single-leaf wood door with a carved stone surround with dressed quoins. The second story of the east bay features an oriel window pierced by four thirty-five-light leaded casements. The west bay is dominated by a two-story, canted bay window. All window openings contain leaded casement sash with shared carved stone surrounds with dressed quoins. Constructed in 1926, the accompanying carriage house is located to the north of the dwelling. The two-story random ashlar stone building features two paneled roll-up wood doors, one paneled single-leaf wood door, one beaded-vertical-board single-leaf wood door, and a side gable roof clad in slate tiles. The building's second story is dominated by a cantilevered concrete balcony. Near the carriage house is a small, one-bay-square shed that also dates to 1926. To the southwest of the dwelling are two circa 1930 pagodas of wood frame construction. These two structures adjoin a non-historic tennis court to the west and a non-historic in-ground swimming pool to the east. The circa 1960 pool house, which is located to the north of the pagodas, is a one-story, two-bay-wide wood frame building clad in flush vertical board siding.

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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. BA-2236

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Bryn Awel (preferred)

other Bryn Awell, Alwyn

2. Location

street and number 12500 Jarrettsville Pike not for publication

city, town Timonium vicinity

county Baltimore County

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mellon Bank and Robert H. Crompton, III, et. al.

street and number 1735 Market Street telephone Not Available

city, town Philadelphia state PA zip code 19103

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse liber 13029 folio 693

city, town Towson tax map 52 tax parcel 51 tax ID number 1012020512

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

1

7. Description

Inventory No. BA-2236

Condition

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Constructed in 1926, Bryn Awel is a high-style Tudor Revival two-and-a-half-story dwelling of solid random ashlar stone construction with a side gable roof clad in slate tiles. Two-and-a-half-story stone ells extend from the outer two bays with gable roofs that intersect with the roof of the main block. This design results in front-facing gables on the outer bays of the five-bay-wide façade, or south elevation. The dwelling features two exterior chimneys, one central interior chimney, and one interior end chimney, all of which feature random ashlar stone construction with dressed course ashlar stone flues. The central Tudor-arched entry is recessed with a wide sash-and-paneled single-leaf wood door with a carved stone surround with dressed quoins. Two groups of four thirty-five-light leaded casement windows flank the entry. Each bank of windows features four nine-light leaded awning transom windows. Segmental splayed relieving arches span the width of each grouping. The three central bays of the second story are pierced by three groups of three thirty-five light casement windows. Two paired thirty-five-light casement windows pierce the first story of the east bay, while the second story features an oriel window pierced by four thirty-five-light leaded casements. The west bay is dominated by a two-story, canted bay window with five thirty-five light casement windows at each story. All window openings have shared carved stone surrounds with dressed quoins.

Constructed in 1926, the accompanying carriage house is located to the north of the dwelling. The two-story random ashlar stone building features two paneled roll-up wood doors, one paneled single-leaf wood door, one beaded-vertical-board single-leaf wood door, and a side gable roof clad in slate tiles. The building's second story is dominated by a cantilevered concrete balcony.

Near the carriage house is a small, one-bay-square shed that also dates to 1926. The wood frame structural system is clad in flush vertical board siding and features a pyramidal roof clad in flush sheet metal. A flush-vertical-board single-leaf wood door pierces the façade.

To the southwest of the dwelling are two circa 1930 pagodas of wood frame construction with hipped roofs clad in wood shingles. The north pagoda features a stone barbeque pit constructed of random ashlar stone. These two structures adjoin a tennis court to the west and a non-historic in-ground swimming pool to the east.

The circa 1960 pool house, which is located to the north of the pagodas, is a one-story, two-bay-wide wood frame building clad in flush vertical board siding. The shed roof is clad in corrugated sheet metal. Two single-leaf wood doors pierce the façade below a band of screened window openings that spans the perimeter of the building directly below the roofline.

8. Significance

Inventory No. BA-2236

Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Specific dates 1926-present **Architect/Builder** Lawrence Hall Fowler, Architect

Construction dates 1926

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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¹ Baltimore County Historic Inventory.

² Carley, Rachel. *The Visual Dictionary of American Domestic Architecture*. (New York, NY: Holt and Co., Inc, 1994). p. 200.

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Scharf, J. Thomas. *History of Baltimore City and County From the Earliest Period to the Present Day: Including Biographical Sketches of Their Representative Men.* Philadelphia, PA: Louis H. Everts, 1881. Reprinted by Higginson Book Company, Salem, MA.

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property .50 Acre
Acreage of historical setting Unknown
Quadrangle name Towson

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Since its construction in 1926, Bryn Awel has been associated with the 1.82 acres of land known as tax parcel 51 of map 52 located in the Baltimore County Tax Assessor's office.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	A. McDonald and A. Didden, Architectural Historians		
organization	EHT Traceries, Incorporated	date	May 18, 2001
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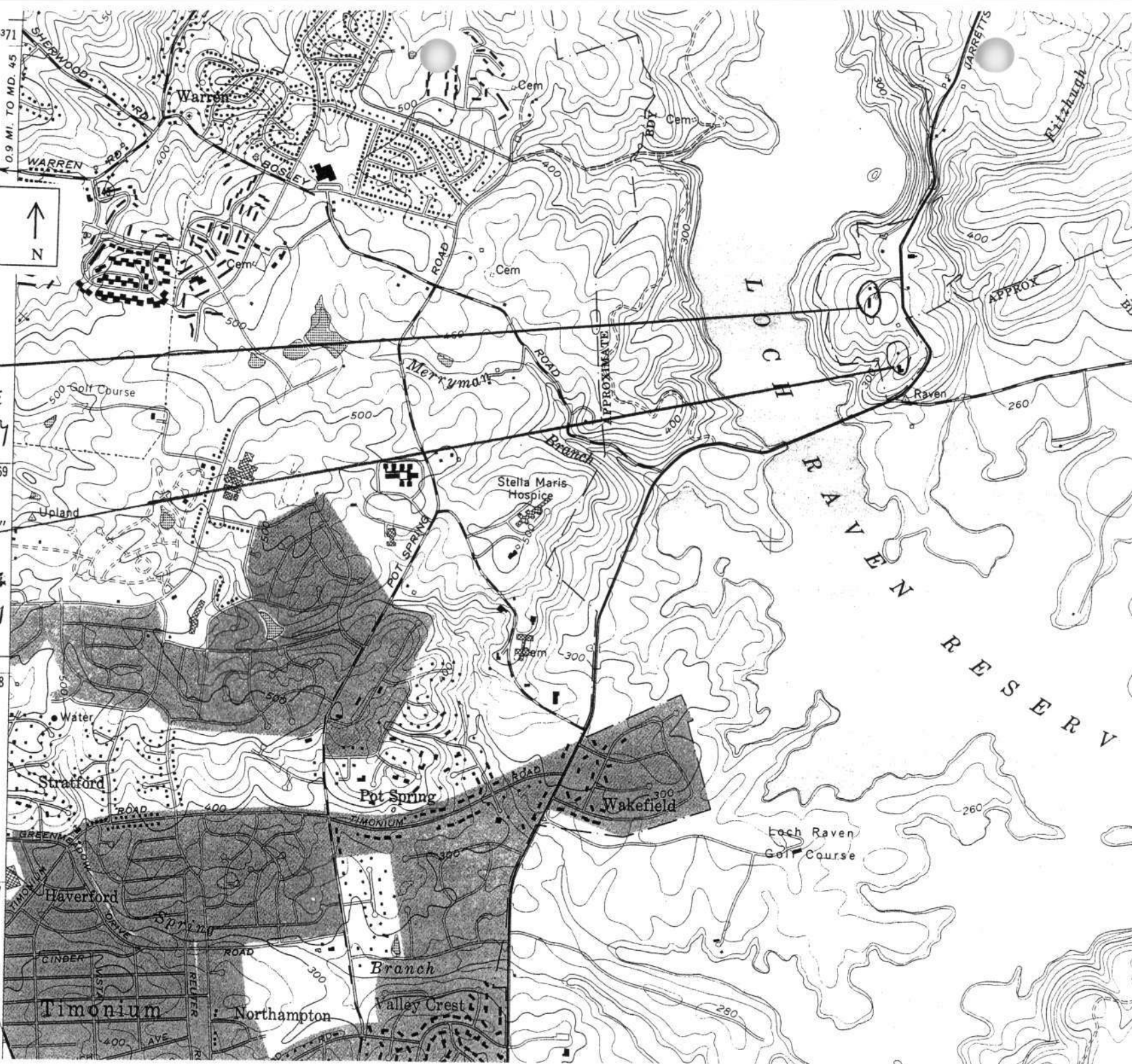
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12600 JARRETTSVILLE PIKE
TIMONIUM, BALTIMORE COUNTY

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TIMONIUM, BALTIMORE COUNTY

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COCKEYSVILLE





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NW ELEVATION

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**Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

Survey No. BA-2236
Magi No. 0322365804
DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Bryn Awell

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 12500 Jarrettsville Pike ☐ not for publication

city, town ☐ vicinity of congressional district

state ☐ county

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. liber

street & number folio

city, town state

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. BA-2236

Condition

☐ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

☐ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Stone house. Fieldstone walls, gable roof, casement windows, projecting bays, multi-fire chimneys, 23 rooms, five fire places.

8. Significance

Survey No. BA-2236

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
			<input type="checkbox"/> science
			<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
			<input type="checkbox"/> social/humanitarian
			<input type="checkbox"/> theater
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1925-1927 Builder/Architect Lawrence Hall Fowler

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Stone house in pseudo-Gothic designed by Lawrence Hall Fowler for Tilghman G. And Dorothy Pitts. The name Bryn Awell is Welsh for "Breezy Hill".

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. BA-2236

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No.

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Magi No. 0322375804

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Summer Hill

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 2421 Stanwick Road

☐ not for publication

city, town Phoenix

☒ vicinity of

congressional district

state

county

3. Classification

Category☐ district
☐ building(s)
☐ structure
☐ site
☐ object**Ownership**☐ public
☐ private
☐ both
Public Acquisition
☐ in process
☐ being considered
☐ not applicable**Status**☐ occupied
☐ unoccupied
☐ work in progress
Accessible
☐ yes: restricted
☐ yes: unrestricted
☐ no**Present Use**☐ agriculture
☐ commercial
☐ educational
☐ entertainment
☐ government
☐ industrial
☐ military☐ museum
☐ park
☐ private residence
☐ religious
☐ scientific
☐ transportation
☐ other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name

street & number

telephone no.:

city, town

state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

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7. Description

Survey No. BA-2237

Condition

☐ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

☐ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Large stone house in Gothic style - gable roof, casement windows, various bays and pavillions; massive chimneys. Slate roof. Three story house contains 3 rooms plus sauna. Also a stone gazebo and dog run.

Summer Hill subdivision was laid out in 1957 and the house stands on 5.5 acres reserved as Lot 1 on plats GLB 23:123.

8. Significance

Survey No. BA-2237

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Large pseudo-Gothic house or "castle" built for Charles Ellet Rieman, president of Western National Bank (1870-1954). The house was built to Mr. Rieman's own specifications from photographs collected in England.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. BA-2237

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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